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FROM USDEL FAO REGIONAL CONFERENCE

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TAGS: FAO,OCON,EAGR

SUBJECT: 13TH FAO REGIONAL CONFERENCE FOR LATIN AMERICA:
NON-AGENDA ITEMS

1. AT END OF DISCUSSION OF INTEGRATED RURAL DEVELOPMENT, CHILE AND CUBA HAD SEVERAL ROUNDS OF UNHEATED BUT VITUPERATIVE REMARKS SET OFF BY CUBAN REFERENCE TO "STUPID" POLICY ACTION BY NEW CHILEAN REGIME. CHILEAN BARBS INCLUDED REFERENCE TO "OBSOLETE" CUBAN LAND REFORM SCHEME, TO "SOME COUNTRY" SENDING MACHINE GUNS INTO CHILE IN SACKS OF SUGAR, AND TO CHILEAN'S WILLINGNESS TO SUPPLY CUBAN WITH STATISTICS SO THAT "HE WOULD HAVE SOME KNOWLEDGE OF WHAT HE WAS TALKING ABOUT, INSTEAD OF HIS PRESENT IGNORANCE." CUBAN REMARKS INCLUDED REFERENCES TO NEW "FASCIST JUNTA" OF CHILE, TO IMPERIALISM, TO OAS AGREEMENT FOR COMMITTEE TO LOOK INTO CHILE SITUATION, AND TO STATEMENT AGAINST CHILE BY US CONGRESS. COMMENT: CHILEAN SEEMED TO WIN DEBATE, BUT OVER-REACTED AND EVEN BECAME PERSONALLY ABUSIVE. CUBAN SEEMED SURPRISED BY CHILEAN INITIAL REACTION AND, PERHAPS IN DEFERENCE TO CUBAN BEING 1ST VICE CHAIRMAN, SEEMED TO
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TONE DOWN REMARKS. IN UNINTENTIONAL CORRIDOR MEETING WITH US

DEL FOLLOWING SESSION, CUBAN POINTED OUT HE HAD NOT MADE ASSOCIATION OF U.S. AND IMPERIALISM IN HIS REMARKS.

2. PANAMA MADE ONE VEILED AND ONE UNVEILED REFERENCE TO ADVERSE IMPACT ON ITS ECONOMY MADE BY ITS LACK OF CONTROL OVER CANAL ZONE. IN ADDITION, PAMPHLET CONTAINING "A LETTER TO A NORTH AMERICAN FRIEND" AND THE "OFFICIAL TEXT OF RESOLUTION S/109.31/ REV.1, MARCH 21, 1973, FROM THE SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE UNITED NATIONS, MEETING IN PANAMA" WAS INCLUDED IN PACKAGE OF MATERIALS GIVEN ALL DELEGATES UPON REGISTRATION.

3. CORRIDOR TALK WITH SECRETARIAT STAFF INDICATES THAT CUBA OR PANAMA IN PLENARY SESSION NEXT WEEK MAY PROPOSE MOVING REGIONAL OFFICE OUT OF CHILE TO, PERHPAS, VENEZUELA OR PANAMA. USDEL WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING CONTINGENCY POSITION ON SUCH PROPOSAL.

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